GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 815 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2022

MINIMUM WAGES

815. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a)whether the Government has fixed any pay scale for minimum wages in private sector and if so, the details thereof;
- (b)whether any minimum pay scale is likely to be fixed in the private sector in the foreseeable future and if so, the details thereof, and if not, the time by which it is likely be done; and
- (c)the norms set for the private sector in this regard at present?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) to (c): The Minimum Wages Act, 1948, provides for fixing minimum rates of wages in scheduled employments including those in the private sector. Both the Central Government and the State Governments are appropriate Governments to fix, review and revise the minimum wages in scheduled employments in their respective jurisdiction and the minimum rates of wages so fixed are equally applicable to both public and private sector. Under the Code on Wages, 2019, minimum wages fixed by the appropriate Governments are applicable across all employments in public and private sectors, and organized and unorganized sectors. The provisions of the Code on Wages Act, 2019, relating to minimum wages have not come into force.
